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Reduced Corner Leakage of Container Capacitors
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Restriction Requirement. In response to the Examiner's requirement for an election of the claims, mailed August 5, 2002, in the above-identified patent application, Applicant elects Group 1, Claims 1-91, drawn to methods.

Preliminary Amendment. Prior to substantive examination, Applicant requests that the following amendments be made to the above-referenced application.

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